## **PREFACE**

This Report has been prepared for submission to the Governor of Uttar Pradesh under Article 151 of the Constitution.

This Report on the finances of the Government of Uttar Pradesh (GoUP) intends to assess the financial performance of the State during 2017-18 and to provide the State Legislature with inputs based on audit analysis of financial data. The Report attempts to analyse the financial performance against the targets envisaged by the Uttar Pradesh Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (Amendment) Act, 2016, the Fourteenth Finance Commission Report and the Budget Estimates of 2017-18. The Report is structured in three Chapters.

**Chapter-1** is based on the audit of the Finance Accounts and makes an assessment of the Uttar Pradesh Government's (GoUP) fiscal position as on 31 March 2018. It provides an insight into trends in expenditure on interest payments, salaries and wages, pensions and repayment of debt and borrowing patterns.

**Chapter-2** is based on the audit of Appropriation Accounts and gives grant-wise description of appropriations and the manner in which the allocated resources were managed by the service delivery departments.

**Chapter-3** is an inventory of the GoUP's compliance to various reporting requirements and financial rules.

The audit has been conducted in conformity with the Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.